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Subject: Tuesday Agenda Item-Permit Parking on Babb Street

Mayor Mansoor and Councilmembers,

At Tuesday's City Council meeting you will consider a petition from residents of Babb Street for permit parking between Baker Street and Denver Drive. This action is long overdue as the problem has become more acute in the past year. Our residents have seen an increase in visitor parking from the Summerset Citihomes Development. These vehicles are often overnight guests, which force our residents to park on adjoining streets and walk, some distance, to their homes. This is an unsafe and unfair solution to the problem.

The Mesa North Community Association's concern is that if this proposal is approved, the City must commit to monitor the residual impact that this restriction will have on neighboring streets. Denver Drive cannot handle the influx of the Summerset homes vehicles, nor can Paularino Street, which is already over-burdened with vehicles from the Coolidge and Fillmore apartments.

To this end, it is imperative that any approval include the 1,000 foot discretionary extension for future evaluation and a promise that the City will re-evaluate the parking conditions after the permit process is implemented.

Let's not simply "kick the can" and push this problem onto another adjoining street. The City should not simply wait to act until it receives a petition from the residents of adjoining streets. It should be more proactive, and monitor the parking levels at a suitable time after the program has been implemented.

Thank you for your consideration of our thoughts.

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